

East Coast Epic Leadership Retreat Pennies Falling Into A Bowl

On Saturday night it was snowing hard outside. But inside the meeting room, the ound was a little like rain on a tin roof - the sound of pennies dropping into a bowl in he the front of the room. Students were walking up to the bowl, dropping in a couple rennies and sitting down. Over 120 Asian American students from the east coast gathered together over MLK weekend and at the end of their leadership retreat, their peaker Pastor Enoch Liao challenged them to take two pennies and offer them back o God. These pennies, like those given by the widow in Mark 12, represented two hings: 1) It's small amount of money. They coast more to mint than they are worth. This represents what we have to give to Jesus. It's an insignificant amount. 2) It may be insignificant, but it's also representative of all we have. What we have is mostly ailures and brokenness and that's what we're giving back to Jesus. The idea - that we want to take everything we have and give it to Jesus - is at the heart of what we're rying to do with Cru.



Pennies that were given by students as they continue to give to the LORD things they are surrendering to Him!!

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West Coast Epic Conference Taking Steps of Faith

Here are some of the things we are celebrating!!!

Initiated Conversations: 628 Spiritual Conversations: 232 Gospel Presentations: 98 Prayers to Receive Christ: 7 Holy Spirit Conversations: 9



\$30,661.28 was raised from the giving challenge I gave. This money will be going towards launching new movements on campuses with no gospel presence as well as the Ghana Project.

I was privileged to lead through our student pledge, to see students make commitments of faith in their own lives to surrender to Jesus. God went above and beyond our expectations as we saw students take big steps of faith!

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We envision Asian American movements mobilized to take our place in God's redemptive mission, and 1) seeing they have a unique place in missions history and the future of missions, 2) that they are bridge-builders representing both the empowered and the powerless of society, and 3) they are coming together, fully surrendered, actively engaged in God's work.

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